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This summary presents results of an August 1985 survey of occupational wages in the State of North Dakota. This is 1 of 99 areas which the Bureau of Labor Statistics surveys at the request of the Employment Standards Administration of the U.S. Department of Labor for use in administering the Service Contract Act of 1965. In addition, the Bureau conducts more extensive studies of occupational wages and related benefits in 71 other areas throughout the United States. For information on these reports and other Bureau publications, contact any BLS regional office identified on the back page. This is one of nine areas that include data for civilian workers in Federal, State, and local governments as well as private industry.

This study covered establishments employing 50 workers or more in manufacturing; transportation, communication, and other public utilities; wholesale trade; retail trade; finance, insurance. and real estate; and selected services; and government. A sample of 159 establishments employing 56,357 workers was selected to represent 460 establishments employing 83,530 workers in the area. (See table 2 for further information on the scope of the survey.) Data collected in the sample of establishments were projected to represent all establishments within the scope of the survey.

Table 1 provides hourly earnings information on office and plant workers employed in selected occupations common to a variety of industries. Occupational classification was based on a uniform set of job descriptions designed to take account of variations in job duties among establishments. The job descriptions used in the survey are available on request.

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Table 1. Hourly earnings[1] of selected occupations in North Dakota, August 1985

Occupation[2]	Number of workers	Hourly earnings (in dollars)[1]			Number of workers receiving straight-time hourly earnings (in dollars) of —																		
		Mean	Median	Middle range	3.35 and under 3.50	3.50 – 4.00	4.00 – 4.50	4.50 – 5.00	5.00 – 5.50	5.50 – 6.00	6.00 – 6.50	6.50 – 7.00	7.00 – 7.50	7.50 – 8.00	8.00 – 9.00	9.00 – 10.00	10.00 – 11.00	11.00 – 12.00	12.00 – 13.00	13.00 – 14.00	14.00 – 15.00	15.00 – 16.00	16.00 – 17.00	17.00 – 18.00
Secretaries	1,043	7.01	6.80	5.80– 8.03	-	-	43	60	74	128	126	141	109	94	163	57	16	17	6	3	4	-	-	-
Private industry	221	7.94	7.47	6.77– 8.99	-	-	-	4	2	16	11	43	37	10	43	29	12	5	5	-	4	-	-	-
Government	812	6.73	6.63	5.62– 7.68	-	-	43	56	72	112	110	98	72	84	120	28	6	7	1	3	-	-	-	-
Secretaries I	191	5.63	5.63	4.54– 6.60	-	-	40	36	12	19	32	29	12	6	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Private industry	25	5.83	5.70	5.50– 6.77	-	-	-	4	-	9	5	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Government	166	5.60	5.20	4.54– 6.60	-	-	40	32	12	10	27	22	12	6	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Secretaries II	424	6.70	6.54	5.60– 7.68	-	-	3	24	62	83	39	44	46	38	67	15	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Private industry	61	7.68	7.49	6.78– 8.99	-	-	-	-	2	2	6	7	15	4	10	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Government	363	6.54	6.15	5.59– 7.61	-	-	3	24	60	81	33	37	31	34	57	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Secretaries III	271	7.49	7.26	6.50– 8.17	-	-	-	-	-	22	44	53	35	32	58	15	5	2	-	3	2	-	-	-
Private industry	69	7.98	7.47	6.96– 8.26	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	18	17	4	17	6	2	2	-	-	2	-	-	-
Government	197	7.36	7.22	6.37– 8.07	-	-	-	-	-	21	39	35	18	28	41	9	3	-	-	3	-	-	-	-
Secretaries IV	116	8.31	7.93	6.95– 9.28	-	-	-	-	-	4	11	14	15	17	22	11	12	6	2	-	2	-	-	-
Private industry	56	8.69	8.46	7.00–10.20	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	10	5	2	16	4	9	2	2	-	2	-	-	-
Government	60	7.96	7.62	6.95– 8.55	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	4	10	15	6	7	3	4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Secretaries V:																								
Private industry	8	10.73	10.93	- -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	1	1	3	-	-	-	-	-
Stenographers	49	7.15	6.44	6.16– 7.41	-	-	-	-	-	9	16	3	14	2	-	-	1	-	4	-	-	-	-	-
Government	16	6.52	6.31	6.17– 6.96	-	-	-	-	-	2	8	2	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stenographers I	32	7.14	6.43	5.94– 7.47	-	-	-	-	-	9	10	1	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Private industry	25	7.37	6.44	5.94– 7.47	-	-	-	-	-	7	6	1	7	-	-	-	1	-	3	-	-	-	-	-
Government	7	6.32	6.16	- -	-	-	-	-	-	2	4	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Stenographers II	17	7.16	7.01	6.18– 7.41	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	2	6	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Typists	133	5.85	5.54	5.34– 6.51	-	-	6	19	12	48	14	11	21	-	-	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Private industry	15	6.48	6.57	6.04– 7.10	-	-	-	-	-	3	2	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Government	118	5.77	5.51	5.18– 6.06	-	-	6	19	12	45	12	6	16	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Typists I	23	5.33	5.31	4.99– 5.54	-	-	-	6	9	6	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Government	22	5.32	5.25	4.99– 5.54	-	-	-	6	9	5	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Typists II	110	5.96	5.69	5.51– 6.79	-	-	6	13	3	42	12	11	21	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Government	96	5.87	5.59	5.51– 6.55	-	-	6	13	3	40	10	6	16	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
File clerks	34	5.59	5.48	5.26– 6.24	-	6	-	2	10	2	9	3	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Private industry	29	5.47	5.48	4.70– 6.01	-	6	-	2	10	2	4	3	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
File clerks II	13	5.55	5.26	- -	-	-	-	2	5	2	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Private industry	13	5.55	5.26	- -	-	-	-	2	5	2	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
File clerks III	15	6.33	6.24	5.48– 6.71	-	-	-	-	5	-	5	3	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Receptionists	35	5.43	5.06	4.87– 6.68	-	3	-	14	1	6	1	9	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Private industry	20	5.23	4.75	4.50– 6.68	-	3	-	10	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Government	15	5.68	5.65	4.95– 6.18	-	-	-	4	1	6	1	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Switchboard operators	67	5.99	6.24	4.90– 6.64	-	-	7	10	6	3	13	24	1	1	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Private industry	39	5.69	5.00	4.76– 6.64	-	-	7	10	6	-	2	11	-	1	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Key entry operators	192	6.07	5.92	5.25– 6.89	-	-	7	20	32	43	23	22	23	20	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Private industry	120	6.10	5.87	5.25– 7.00	-	-	4	12	22	24	15	9	17	15	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Government	71	6.03	5.95	5.40– 6.69	-	-	3	7	10	19	8	13	6	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Key entry operators I	126	5.72	5.58	5.05– 6.06	-	-	7	20	30	31	14	10	5	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Private industry	82	5.81	5.56	5.05– 6.22	-	-	4	12	20	19	8	5	5	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Government	43	5.58	5.66	5.05– 6.06	-	-	3	7	10	12	6	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Key entry operators II	66	6.72	6.88	6.08– 7.20	-	-	-	-	2	12	9	12	18	11	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Private industry	38	6.72	7.00	6.08– 7.18	-	-	-	-	2	5	7	4	12	6	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Computer operators	120	7.66	7.91	6.25– 8.79	-	-	-	-	7	12	17	8	11	7	31	22	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Private industry	79	7.71	8.00	6.57– 8.79	-	-	-	-	3	12	3	7	9	5	22	17	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Government	41	7.57	7.38	6.11– 8.78	-	-	-	-	4	-	14	1	2	2	9	5	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Computer operators I	37	6.55	6.57	5.81– 7.14	-	-	-	-	7	7	3	6	9	2	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Private industry	27	6.67	6.57	5.81– 7.18	-	-	-	-	3	7	-	5	8	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Government	10	6.23	6.21	- -	-	-	-	-	4	-	3	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Table 1. Hourly earnings[1] of selected occupations in North Dakota, August 1985 —Continued

Occupation[2]	Number of workers	Hourly earnings (in dollars)[1]			Number of workers receiving straight-time hourly earnings (in dollars) of —																		
		Mean	Median	Middle range	3.35 and under 3.50	3.50 – 4.00	4.00 – 4.50	4.50 – 5.00	5.00 – 5.50	5.50 – 6.00	6.00 – 6.50	6.50 – 7.00	7.00 – 7.50	7.50 – 8.00	8.00 – 9.00	9.00 – 10.00	10.00 – 11.00	11.00 – 12.00	12.00 – 13.00	13.00 – 14.00	14.00 – 15.00	15.00 – 16.00	16.00 – 17.00	17.00 – 18.00
Computer operators II	57	7.71	8.15	6.24– 8.51	–	–	–	–	–	5	14	2	1	3	23	6	3	–	–	–	–	–	–
Private industry	40	7.92	8.23	6.98– 8.51	–	–	–	–	–	5	3	2	1	3	20	5	1	–	–	–	–	–	–
Government	17	7.22	6.32	6.11– 8.52	–	–	–	–	–	–	11	–	–	–	3	1	2	–	–	–	–	–	–
Computer operators III	26	9.14	9.18	8.67– 9.74	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	2	6	15	2	–	–	–	–	–	–
Private industry	12	9.36	9.50	– –	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	11	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Government	14	8.95	8.86	– –	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	2	5	4	2	–	–	–	–	–	–
Drafters	129	9.69	9.54	8.40–11.02	–	–	–	–	2	2	3	1	5	8	22	30	18	27	7	6	–	–	–
Private industry	118	9.91	9.78	8.68–11.02	–	–	–	–	–	2	3	–	5	7	13	30	18	27	7	6	–	–	–
Drafters II	16	6.92	6.89	5.81– 8.00	–	–	–	–	2	2	3	1	3	–	4	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Private industry	11	7.05	7.00	– –	–	–	–	–	–	2	3	–	3	–	2	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Drafters III	34	8.62	8.82	7.75– 9.13	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	2	8	9	13	2	–	–	–	–	–	–
Private industry	31	8.62	8.65	7.70– 9.14	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	2	7	7	13	2	–	–	–	–	–	–
Drafters IV	41	10.11	9.54	9.54–11.40	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	8	15	7	7	4	–	–	–	–
Private industry	37	10.31	9.88	9.54–11.51	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	4	15	7	7	4	–	–	–	–
Electronics technicians	141	14.04	14.73	13.08–15.22	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	3	–	6	12	1	13	16	53	9	26	2
Private industry	115	14.25	14.73	13.91–15.22	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	3	–	6	4	–	8	10	53	7	22	2
Electronics technicians I	6	10.55	9.13	– –	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	3	–	–	1	–	–	–	2	–	–	–
Private industry	6	10.55	9.13	– –	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	3	–	–	1	–	–	–	2	–	–	–
Electronics technicians II	42	12.83	12.68	10.95–14.59	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	6	8	–	9	3	10	6	–	–
Private industry	31	13.08	14.59	10.98–14.92	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	6	3	–	6	–	10	6	–	–
Electronics technicians III	93	14.81	14.73	14.14–16.16	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	3	1	4	13	41	3	26	2
Private industry	78	15.01	14.73	14.14–16.16	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	2	10	41	1	22	2
Firefighters	174	9.23	8.74	8.58–10.33	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	6	7	7	80	10	46	18	–	–	–	–	–	–
Government	174	9.23	8.74	8.58–10.33	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	6	7	7	80	10	46	18	–	–	–	–	–	–
Maintenance carpenters	64	9.79	9.97	8.44–11.48	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	7	5	14	5	10	15	7	–	–	–	–	–
Private industry	11	10.91	12.17	– –	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	4	–	–	–	7	–	–	–	–	–
Government	53	9.56	9.84	8.08–11.07	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	7	5	10	5	10	15	–	–	–	–	–	–
Maintenance electricians	81	11.50	11.85	10.15–12.68	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	3	12	15	22	20	2	3	–	3	–
Private industry	35	12.31	12.68	10.00–12.68	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	7	2	–	18	2	3	–	3	–
Government	46	10.89	11.00	10.15–11.85	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	3	5	13	22	2	–	–	–	–	–
Maintenance painters	35	10.25	10.66	8.76–11.48	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	3	5	5	4	17	–	–	–	–	–	–
Government	32	10.19	10.58	8.84–11.48	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	3	4	5	4	15	–	–	–	–	–	–
Maintenance machinists	13	11.06	11.70	– –	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	4	–	–	4	4	1	–	–	–	–
Private industry	7	11.83	12.19	– –	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	–	–	2	3	1	–	–	–	–
Maintenance mechanics (machinery)	169	10.86	10.50	9.60–12.19	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	6	59	52	6	24	12	2	8	–	–
Private industry	161	10.88	10.50	9.43–12.68	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	6	59	46	4	24	12	2	8	–	–
Motor vehicle mechanics	286	10.45	10.43	9.00–11.85	–	–	–	–	–	6	13	–	8	20	25	63	29	54	23	38	9	–	–	–
Private industry	142	10.72	9.98	9.40–13.22	–	–	–	–	–	6	12	–	–	6	4	43	5	4	15	38	9	–	–	–
Government	144	10.18	10.51	8.46–11.85	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	–	8	14	21	20	24	50	8	–	–	–	–	–
General maintenance workers	231	8.16	8.00	6.50– 9.97	–	–	5	8	9	12	23	8	27	22	38	27	28	20	4	–	–	–	–	–
Private industry	64	7.87	7.70	6.13– 9.58	–	–	2	3	5	–	7	2	9	8	9	12	3	–	4	–	–	–	–	–
Government	145	8.72	8.47	7.21–10.30	–	–	–	–	1	7	12	4	18	14	29	15	25	20	–	–	–	–	–	–
Tool and die makers	22	11.04	10.60	9.70–12.67	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	8	6	–	3	5	–	–	–	–
Private industry	21	10.96	10.60	9.70–12.00	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	8	6	–	2	5	–	–	–	–
Stationary engineers	99	11.16	11.85	9.47–12.68	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	4	–	1	2	25	11	23	25	6	–	–	1	1
Private industry	32	12.11	12.70	12.31–12.70	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	–	1	–	5	–	–	22	1	–	–	1	1
Government	64	10.90	10.81	9.47–11.85	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	2	20	11	23	3	5	–	–	–	–
Truckdrivers	819	9.64	8.93	7.47–12.77	–	–	5	8	14	12	14	30	124	122	112	102	22	4	101	88	61	–	–	–
Private industry	448	11.00	12.77	7.75–13.71	–	–	5	8	6	–	2	–	71	27	19	52	5	3	101	88	61	–	–	–
Government	371	8.01	7.87	7.30– 9.00	–	–	–	–	8	12	12	30	53	95	93	50	17	1	–	–	–	–	–	–
Truckdrivers, light truck	19	5.63	4.60	4.00– 6.81	–	–	5	8	–	–	–	2	–	–	2	2	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Private industry	13	4.35	4.50	– –	–	–	5	8	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Truckdrivers, medium truck	204	10.04	9.00	7.43–14.14	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	53	19	34	30	–	3	11	–	54	–	–	–
Private industry	164	10.32	9.14	7.40–14.14	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	52	16	4	24	–	3	11	–	54	–	–	–
Government	40	8.89	9.00	9.00– 9.00	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	3	30	6	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–

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Truckdrivers, heavy truck	67	9.46	9.50	8.93–10.30	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	6	–	16	22	22	1	–	–	–	–	–
Government	52	9.61	9.55	8.93–10.89	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	16	18	17	1	–	–	–	–	–
Truckdrivers, tractor-trailer	209	11.77	12.77	9.59–13.57	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	13	11	16	24	–	–	90	48	7	–	–
Private industry	208	11.78	12.77	9.59–13.68	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	13	11	15	24	–	–	90	48	7	–	–
Heavy equipment operators	474	9.58	9.50	8.22–10.54	–	–	–	–	–	–	28	–	15	53	82	122	64	51	53	6	–	–	–
Private industry	157	10.20	9.36	7.82–12.46	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	7	33	16	28	9	7	51	6	–	–	–
Government	317	9.27	9.51	8.22–10.27	–	–	–	–	–	–	28	–	8	20	66	94	55	44	2	–	–	–	–
Shipping packers	65	6.85	6.90	5.95– 8.10	–	6	–	–	6	6	2	26	–	–	14	5	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Private industry	65	6.85	6.90	5.95– 8.10	–	6	–	–	6	6	2	26	–	–	14	5	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Material handling laborers	106	8.62	9.06	8.20– 9.07	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	10	16	–	24	51	1	–	4	–	–	–	–
Private industry	79	8.45	9.06	7.10– 9.07	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	10	16	–	9	40	–	–	4	–	–	–	–
Forklift operators	153	9.37	8.80	8.38– 9.05	–	–	–	–	–	–	6	6	8	12	80	5	–	–	21	15	–	–	–
Private industry	150	9.38	8.80	8.22– 9.05	–	–	–	–	–	–	6	6	8	12	78	4	–	–	21	15	–	–	–
Guards	57	7.00	6.79	6.01– 8.07	–	1	–	1	9	3	6	12	4	6	10	3	2	–	–	–	–	–	–
Private industry	20	7.01	6.79	5.49– 8.49	–	–	–	–	5	–	1	6	–	–	8	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Government	33	7.09	6.73	6.16– 7.64	–	1	–	1	2	3	5	6	4	4	2	3	2	–	–	–	–	–	–
Guards I	25	5.79	5.79	5.20– 6.32	–	1	–	1	9	3	5	4	–	2	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Private industry	9	5.78	5.32	– –	–	–	–	–	5	–	1	3	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Guards II	32	7.95	7.74	6.84– 8.69	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	8	4	4	10	3	2	–	–	–	–	–	–
Private industry	11	8.01	8.08	– –	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	3	–	–	8	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Janitors, porters, and cleaners	1,690	6.48	6.17	4.66– 7.85	177	51	120	134	189	114	188	76	100	150	189	41	4	156	1	–	–	–	–
Private industry	550	5.48	4.50	3.35– 7.61	177	33	62	27	13	17	20	11	18	89	65	7	4	6	1	–	–	–	–
Government	1,100	7.05	6.31	5.31– 8.35	–	3	50	103	172	95	166	65	77	61	124	34	–	150	–	–	–	–	–

[1] Excludes premium pay for overtime and for work on weekends, holidays, and late shifts. Also excluded are performance bonuses and lump-sum payments of the type negotiated in the auto and aerospace industries, as well as profit-sharing payments, attendance bonuses, Christmas or year-end bonuses, and other nonproduction bonuses. Cost of living allowances and incentive payments, however, are included. Hourly earnings reported for salaried workers are derived from regular salaries divided by the corresponding standard hours of work. The wages of learners, apprentices, and handicapped workers are excluded. The mean is computed for each job by totaling the earnings of all workers and dividing by the number of workers. The median designates position—one-half of the workers receive the same as or more and one-half receive the same as or less than the rate shown. The middle range is defined by two rates of pay; one-fourth of the workers earn the same as or less than the lower of these rates and one-fourth earn the same as or more than the higher rate.

[2] For occupations with more than one level, data are included in the overall classification when a subclassification is not shown or information to subclassify is not available.

Table 2. Establishments and workers within scope of survey and number studied in private industry and government in North Dakota,[1] August 1985

Industry division[2]	Minimum employment in establishments in scope of survey	Number of establishments		Workers in establishments		
		Within scope of survey[3]	Studied	Within scope of survey[4]		Studied
				Number	Percent	
All divisions	50	460	159	83,530	100	56,357
Private industry	50	319	104	38,477	46	18,648
Manufacturing	50	67	26	9,618	12	5,327
Nonmanufacturing[5]	50	252	78	28,859	35	13,321
Government[6]	50	97	42	41,187	49	36,570

[1] The "workers within scope of survey" estimates shown in this table provide a reasonably accurate description of the size and composition of the labor force included in the survey. The estimates are not intended, however, to serve as a basis of comparison with other statistical series for the area to measure employment trends or levels since (1) planning of wage surveys requires the use of establishment data compiled considerably in advance of the payroll period studied, and (2) small establishments are excluded from the scope of the survey.

[2] The 1972 edition of the Standard Industrial Classification Manual was used in classifying establishments by industry division.

[3] Includes all establishments with total employment at or above the minimum limitation. All outlets of companies in such industries as trade, finance, auto repair service, and motion picture theaters (within a Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area or nonmetropolitan county) are considered as one establishment.

[4] Includes all workers in all establishments with total employment (within the area) at or above the minimum limitation.

[5] Includes transportation, communication, and other public utilities (excluding taxicabs and services incidental to water transportation); wholesale trade; retail trade; finance, insurance, and real estate; hotels and other lodging places; laundries and other personal services; automobile repair, rental, and parking; motion pictures; nonprofit membership organizations (excluding religious and charitable organizations); engineering and architectural services; and miscellaneous business services. Major industries excluded from this survey are agriculture; mining; construction; and some services (notably educational institutions and medical services).

[6] Includes Federal, State, and local government. Excludes military personnel.

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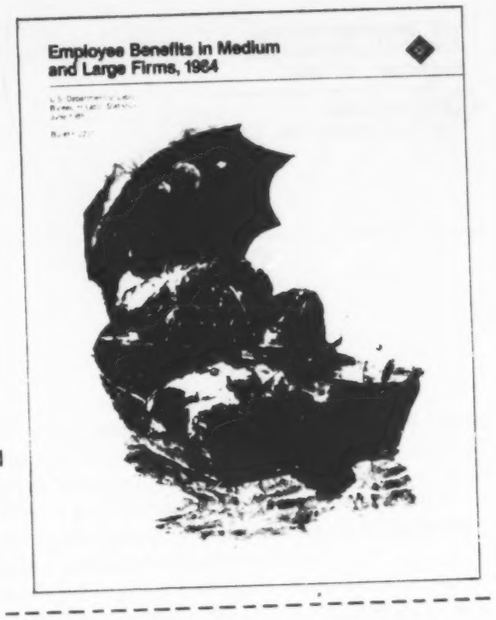

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